

GILLIGAN CASE WAS ARGUED

Opinion Expected Next Thursday Week.

THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Will Meet To-day to Elect Fertilizer Inspectors—Governor Tyler Is Expected.

The fate of Andrew Carter Gilligan, who is serving an eighteen year sentence in the penitentiary for the alleged murder of Mr. Beverly Turner in Isle of Wight county during the Christmas of 1899, will be known on Thursday, January 10th, that being the first opinion day of the present term of the Supreme Court.

The January term of the court commenced yesterday with all the judges present. The first case heard was that of A. C. Gilligan vs. the Commonwealth on a writ of error for a new trial. Messrs. Coalter & Wise appeared for the prisoner while Attorney-General Montague looked after the interests of the State. The argument was completed and the case submitted to the court. The opinion of the court will probably be handed down on the date indicated above.

The next case taken up was that of Smith vs. Thomas, from the Circuit Court of Augusta county. It was argued by Mr. William Patrick for the appellant, and continued until to-day.

The next cases to be called will be Norfolk and Western Railway Company vs. Woon, and Miller vs. Rivers, Nos. 1 and 2 on the privileged docket.

A great many leading attorneys from different sections of the State are in the city to attend the sessions of the court.

AGAIN CHOSEN CLERK.

Mr. W. G. G. Lowery was yesterday re-elected clerk of the Supreme Court at Winchester, and appeared before the bar and took the oath of office.

Assistant Inspector-General J. Lane Stern has made his report to Adjutant-General Nalle, concerning the mustering in of the Hoge Tyler Rifles, which took place at Pulaski last Saturday night.

General Nalle yesterday issued commissions to the officers of the new company as follows: Captain, Hugh Hinde; First Lieutenant, W. W. Duggett; Second Lieutenant, Morris D. Langhorne, Jr. The company is composed of sixty-three fine young men, and is one of the best equipped and equipped in the service. The report of the Adjutant-General is expected to be out in a few days.

Major W. M. Randolph, of Charlottesville, vice-president of the Seventieth Virginia Regiment, was in the city yesterday and made an unofficial call on Adjutant-General Nalle.

WILL MEET TO-DAY.

The State Board of Agriculture will hold an important session in the State Library building to-day. Fertilizer inspectors for the present year will be chosen, and much other business of more or less importance to the farmers of the State, will be transacted. Indications are that all the present inspectors will be re-appointed. The Finance Committee of the Board met last night and looked after some matters preliminary to the meeting of the Board on January 21st.

Members have already arrived in the city. The board will probably arrange for the holding of several farmers' institutes in the First and Eighth Districts. It has already been determined to hold one at Fredericksburg on January 21st.

Senator J. Thompson Brown, of Nelson, was at the Library yesterday on his way to the meeting of the Board of Visitors of the Central State Hospital, which will take place in Petersburg to-day.

Hon. Clegggett B. Jones, of King and Queen, was at the Library looking after some cases in the Court of Appeals.

Secretary Frank P. Brent, of the Department of Education, was confined to his home yesterday with a slight attack of illness. Mr. Brent expects soon to take a trip to Nelson county, to visit his friends and relatives "on his native heath."

INFORMATION WANTED.

Labor Commissioner Doherty has received a request from a Philadelphia house for the names of the leading producers of roofing slate for export in Virginia. The Commissioner will give the request his immediate attention.

Governor Tyler is expected to return from his home in Radford to-day, and will then take up a number of important matters that await his attention at the State House.

The company of Bristol, has been lodged for recordation with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

NEW PENITENTIARY.

Condition of Present Institution Being Fully Discussed.

The citizens of Richmond are turning their attention to the movement to bring about a change in the conditions at the penitentiary. The paper has already taken the matter up and other cities in Virginia are being heard from. With the startling and distressing conditions which obtain at this institution before their eyes, and with the constant menace to the healthfulness and safety of the city, which results from the existence and confinement of these criminals, it is seen that, apart from all humanitarian and philanthropic considerations, the most pressing of self-interest should place Richmond in the forefront of the movement.

It is to be borne in mind that there is no criticism or reflection upon the administration of the penitentiary. The matter under discussion is the entire insufficiency and inadequacy of the cell-room of the penitentiary for the number of convicts in that institution.

Authorities on this subject state that the minimum allowance of space for each convict should be 1,000 cubic feet. In smaller rooms in the Virginia penitentiary eight and nine men are crowded every night; that is in a room whose floor space measures about eight by ten feet.

The constant danger of epidemic which results from this condition of affairs, and the danger to the city of Richmond should not be overlooked, and among the thousands of more men so closely confined, has aroused the attention of a great number of our citizens.

Worthy of Assistance.

There are at the Virginia House Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson with four children, who are in need of assistance. They came to Richmond on Sunday, and since then have been helped by members of the Lodge of Elks and others. They are

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Sent Free To Men.

Free Trial Package of this New Discovery Mailed to Every Man Sending Name and Address. Quickly Restores Strength and Vigor.

Free trial packages of a most remarkable remedy are being mailed to all who will write the State Medical Institute. They cured so many men who had battled

for years against the mental and physical suffering of lost manhood, that the Institute has decided to distribute free trial packages to all who write. It is a home treatment, and all men who suffer with any form of sexual weakness resulting from youthful folly, premature loss of strength and memory, weak back, varicocele, or emaciation of parts, can now cure themselves at home.

The remedy has a peculiarly grateful effect of warmth and security, and direct to the desired location, giving strength and development just where it is needed. It cures all the ills and troubles that come from years of misuse of the natural functions and has been an absolute success in all cases. A request to the State Medical Institute, 721 Elektron Building, Port Wayne, Ind., stating that you desire one of their free trial packages, will be complied with promptly. The Institute is desirous of reaching that great class of men who are unable to leave home to be treated, and the free sample will enable them to see how easy it is to be cured of sexual weakness when the proper remedies are employed. The Institute makes no restrictions. Any man who writes will be sent a free sample, carefully sealed in plain package, so that its recipient need have no fear of embarrassment. Men are requested to write without delay.

on their way to Atlanta, where they have relatives.

Mr. Wilson is a professional aeronaut, and for several years has given performances at fairs, carnivals and expositions throughout the country.

Last September his balloon caught fire during a performance in Rochester, and he was thrown to the ground from a dizzy height, and has suffered from severe internal injuries ever since. What funds the family had on hand have been exhausted, and now they ask assistance in putting them in Atlanta.

A number of the City Hall officials have contributed toward that end, but much is still needed, and whatever can be given may be left for them at their boarding-house, next to the St. Clair Hotel.

Mr. Wilson is incapacitated, but Mrs. Wilson is most energetic, and looks upon their present trouble as but temporary. There are four children, the oldest fifteen years of age and the youngest but five months old. They hope to leave for Atlanta to-day.

NO CHANGES MADE.

National Banks Elect Old Directors and Officers.

Stockholders of all five of the National Banks in Richmond held their annual meetings yesterday. There were no changes made in directors or officers.

The National Bank of Virginia re-elected all the old directors as follows: George L. Christian, P. E. Noll, P. D. Williams, T. A. Cary, H. Theodore Ellyson, R. Lancaster Williams, T. H. Elliott, J. W. Robert, J. P. Alston, George R. Cannon, Robert S. Boshier, B. Rand, Walter, John Addison, J. H. Capers, L. G. Reynolds, H. M. Vaughan and W. M. Habington.

The directors held a somewhat lengthy meeting and at the close it was announced that the old officers had been chosen to serve another year. They are as follows: George L. Christian, president; Wm. M. Habington, vice-president and chairman of the Executive Committee; and T. K. Sande, cashier.

The American National Bank re-elected its old directors as follows: William C. Camp, John S. Cunningham, W. R. McComb, Wm. J. Payne, W. B. Saunders, Oliver J. Sands, Leon L. Strauss, Philip Whitlock and Charles E. Wingo.

President Sands' report showed a most gratifying increase in the business. The directors re-elected the officers as follows: Oliver J. Sands, president; Charles E. Wingo, vice-president; O. Taylor Hill, cashier; and Walter Holliday, assistant cashier.

The Merchants National Bank stockholders selected their directors, as follows: John P. Branch, Fred W. Scott, Rev. B. Munford, Charles S. Stringfellow, A. S. Buford, Thomas B. Scott, John K. Branch, James H. Deoley, Andrew Pizini, Jr., Byron H. Branch, Robert C. Morton, J. Philford George.

The directors chosen for the First National are as follows and all of them were re-elected: S. D. Crenshaw, A. H. Christian, Jr., D. H. Davis, G. Devoe, C. A. DeLoach, J. B. D. Mosby, J. A. Morris, Virginia Newton, J. B. Purcell, T. M. Rutherford, I. Stern, F. Stittinger. The directors unanimously re-elected Mr. Virginia Newton president, and Colonel Jao. B. Purcell vice-president.

The Planters' Bank stockholders re-elected Messrs. James N. Boyd, J. J. Montague, W. J. Westwood, T. William Pemberton and Morton B. Rosenbaum as directors. The report made was very favorable, a vote of thanks was extended the president, cashier and other officials. The directors re-elected Mr. Boyd president, and Mr. Richard H. Smith cashier.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

The funeral of Mr. Christian Tudor will take place this morning at 10 o'clock. The service will be conducted at the grave in Oakwood, by the Rev. Carey E. Morgan.

The remains of Mrs. Sallie L. D. Scott are taken at 10 o'clock yesterday morning to Mt. Vernon station, where the interment took place.

The funeral of Mr. Jacob Snyder took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the residence, Twenty-seventh and O Streets. The interment was made in Oakwood.

Y. M. H. A.

At its meeting next Sunday afternoon the Young Men's Hebrew Association will debate the following question:

"Resolved, That history benefits mankind more than geography." A good debate is expected. The condition of the club is very satisfactory to its members.

Chess Tournament.

The Richmond Chess, Checker and Whist Club will commence a handicap chess tournament this evening at 8 o'clock. There is a good entry list, and all are requested to be in at the start.

FAMILY TROUBLE

AND JUSTICE JOHN

Said He Could Take Little Stock in Other People's Affairs.

The Great Dispenser said he took little stock in family rows, and his own affairs of that kind were all he could handle in future.

And then he dismissed Sally Collins, charged with beating Annie Caviness, and Richard Usilton, charged with abusing Ed. Stokes.

But the drunks he handled with care and John McCarthy was charged the usual fee, while B. C. Thomas was sent down for 20 days and John W. Johnson contributed the fee as did McCarthy.

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W. H. Payne, a white man, with soot and cinders all over him, went into Murphy's Hotel at 2 A. M. and asked for the Colonel. He was shown the door by Night Clerk Yeager and soon thereafter he ran afoul of Officer Neisz and was taken in tow to the Second Station, where he registered and gave his address as Manchester.

Not believing that Manchester needed the presence of Payne, the Great Dispenser sent him down for thirty days.

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He will be heard on the same charge that sent W. M. Hicks and Tom White to the penitentiary.

Small Damage to Cargo.

Work by the Merritt Wrecking Company on the steamer Richmond, which had a hole story in her hull at Graveyard Reach, early Sunday morning is progressing rapidly. The cargo has been brought back to Richmond and the damage to it is slight.

It cannot be stated when the Richmond will be floated, but divers are working hard on the vessel and it will be but a few days probably when she may be dry-docked. The damage to the vessel cannot be ascertained, but it will probably reach \$15,000.

Futile Attempt.

An attempt was made Monday night to enter Constable Brothers' gentlemen's furnishing goods establishment, at No. 105 East Main Street.

Entrance was gained to a court in the rear of the store, through a broken gate and four bars were twisted from a window leading to the sub-cellar. Inside the window was a pile of wire. Had this wire not been there entrance could easily have been made.

The only damage done was to the gate and the window.

Run-Away Boy.

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